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## News Release

## CHILD PORNOGRAPHER ARRESTED AT WASHINGTON DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Washington, DC — United States Attorney Paul J. McNulty has charged Burhan Mahmod Hinawi, age 43, of Charlotte, North Carolina, with production of child pornography outside the United States and transporting child pornography into the USA. Court documents allege that Hinawi produced videos of himself engaging in various sexual acts with male and female children between the ages of 12 and 15. Hinawi remains in custody pending action of a federal grand jury. If convicted, he will serve a minimum of 15 years in prison with a maximum possible sentence of 30 years. The case is being investigated by US Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Paul McNulty stated: "Child pornography is a heinous crime that leaves a life-long scar on its victims. The defendant's conduct in this case is especially offensive because he videotaped himself engaged in sexually explicit behavior with children."

Allan Doody, Special In Charge of ICE Washington, DC. said: "Mr. Hinawi's conduct, as described in the complaint, is despicable. ICE is committed to pursuing predators and pedophiles like him in our communities as well as around the world."

Anyone who suspects they know of a child who may have encountered Hinawi should contact local law enforcement or 1-866-DHS-2ICE.

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